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SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS, FIRST QUARTER 1972

Five new producers of copper and a new coal mine started operations providing initial employment for 1,250 persons. These new properties are managed by: Alwin Mining (Ashcroft) - copper; Bralorne Resources (Houston) - silver, zinc, copper, gold, lead; Fording Coal (Elkford) - coal; Gibraltar Mines (Williams Lake) - copper, molybdenum; Jordan River Mines (Sooke) - copper; and Similkameen Mining (Princeton) - copper, gold, silver.

Expansion programs by durable goods manufacturers, notably wood, metal, and machinery fabricators, highlighted developments among manufacturing industries. Projects undertaken by firms manufacturing durable commodities were worth nearly $30 million accounting for 450,000 sq.ft. of additional factory space. Work completed or started by non-durable goods manufacturers amounted to some $20 million adding approximately 380,000 sq.ft. of plant area. The chemical industry ranked uppermost with investments at over $6½ million, then the food industries and the paper industries. The employment content of these developments in the manufacturing industries is reported at roughly 1,200 workers.

Three new commercial buildings were being erected in Vancouver City which will increase the space available for business offices by over 700,000 sq.ft.

The transportation sector was keynoted by announcements of progress with the construction of new marine terminals in the Greater Vancouver area. Three projects valued at over $15 million were reported completed or under construction. During the quarter, the Vancouver Port Authority unveiled plans for two new terminals to involve capital expenditures of $28 million.

A 34-mile extension of the Westcoast Transmission natural gas pipeline was nearing completion into the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

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SECTION I

MANUFACTURING AND RESOURCE PROJECTS

REGION NO. 1

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Crestbrook Forest Industries Ltd.
Cranbrook, Canal Flats
$550,000
Lumber

Erected new dry kilns at its Canal Flats and Cranbrook sawmills. (Company is affiliated with Honshu Paper Co. Ltd. and the Mitsubishi Corp.)

Crestbrook Pulp & Paper Ltd.
Skookumchuck
$100,000
Bleached kraft pulp

Announces completion in February of a welding and pipe fabrication shop which improves the firm's operating facilities. (Company is a subsidiary of Crestbrook Forest Industries Ltd. which is a joint venture of two Japanese companies: Honshu Paper Mfg. Company Ltd. and Mitsubishi Corp.)

Fording Coal Ltd.
Fording River, 30 miles north of Natal
$80,000,000
Metallurgical coal

Pre-production mining has started at this new open pit mine and 10,000 ton-per-day dense media separation and flotation plant. Four hundred and fifty employees. (Company is a joint venture of Canadian Pacific Investments Ltd. and Cominco Ltd.)

PROJECTS COMMENCED

Brisco Sawmills Ltd.
Brisco
$214,000
Kiln-dried studs

Construction began in November 1971 on a sawmill addition.

PROJECTS COMMENCED (CONT'D)

Fred Holmes Fuel Injection Sales and Service Ltd.
Cranbrook
$225,000
Diesel fuel injection parts

Acquired property for a new 15,000 sq.ft. factory for remanufacturing injectors for diesel engines. New machinery has been ordered and the tentative date for commencement of production is set for September or October. Nine to 13 employees.

PROJECTS PROPOSED

Columbia Explosives Ltd.
Sparwood
$160,000
Blasting explosives

New firm incorporated in December proposes to provide on-site bulk mixing of ammonium nitrate/fuel oil blasting agents for open pit mining operations. Construction of new 2,400 sq.ft. plant would begin in May 1972. Five employees.

Crestbrook Pulp & Paper Ltd.
Skookumchuck

Bleached kraft pulp

Expansion projects being considered for 1972 include: a mill stores addition, a new vehicle garage and the installation of process equipment for pollution abatement. The program will enlarge the operating area by 7,000 sq.ft.

Interior Remote Controls Winch Ltd.
Cranbrook

Winch assemblies

New facility is in the initial planning stages. Five employees.

REGION NO. 2

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Kicking Horse Forest Products Ltd.
Donald
$3,765,000
Lumber, shingles and shakes

Operations began April 1, 1972 in a new 10,000 sq.ft. shake and shingle mill costing $300,000. Initial capacity is 40,000 squares annually rising to 80,000 squares upon full production. Twenty employees increasing eventually to 40 workers.

The project was part of a $3.8 million enlargement and improvement program adding 118,000 sq.ft. to the former 50,000 sq.ft. sawmill. (Company is affiliated with Evans Products Co. Ltd.)

Mica Dam Sawmills Ltd.
Revelstoke
$130,000
Lumber

Recently completed an expansion of its electrified mill which increased production by approximately two-thirds. Ten additional employees.

Triangle-Pacific Forest Products Ltd., Slocan Division
Slocan
$1,000,000
Lumber, chips

Formally opened an expansion of its mill March 20, 1972 increasing capacity by 5.5 million f.b.m. to 11 million f.b.m. annually. Thirty additional workers.

PROJECTS COMMENCED

Federated Co-operatives Ltd.
Canoe
$478,000
Lumber, plywood, chips

An expansion program begun in March is designed to increase the utilization of wood waste by providing collection and handling facilities for the shipment of shavings, sawdust and like material to the Weyerhaeuser Canada Ltd. pulpmill at Kamloops. Three additional employees.

REGION NO. 2

PROJECTS PROPOSED

F.R. Rotter Lumber Co. Ltd.
Salmo

Lumber, chips

Plans construction of a new building addition with the start of development expected by the end of April.

REGION NO. 3

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Calona Distillers Ltd.
Kelowna
$184,000
Distilled beverages

Completed a 2,300 sq.ft. tower which houses a new still room and boiler room.

Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd.
Ten miles south of Princeton
$73,000,000
Copper, gold and silver concentrates

The concentrator at this new mining and milling complex was started on March 24, 1972 with the operation of the first 5,000 ton-per-day grinding mill. Production from the two remaining mills is anticipated in May and July for a total capacity of 15,000 tons per day. Two hundred and fifty workers. (Company is a subsidiary of Newmont Mining Corp. of New York).

PROJECTS COMMENCED

Canadian Heritage Homes Ltd.
Rock Creek
$175,000
Prefabricated "Air Lock" log homes

A new plant capable of converting 2 million f.b.m. of Lodgepole Pine into log homes will cover 8,000 sq.ft. Initially eight to 10 persons will be employed. Eventually a staff of 14 - 20 workers is forecast when the size is raised to 12,000 sq.ft.

Cominco Ltd.
Trail
$3,300,000
Phosphate fertilizers

First stage work of a modernization program at its ammonium phosphate fertilizer plant was started in January. Project includes a 7,000 sq.ft. structure to replace facilities covering 26,000 sq.ft. for the production of phosphoric acid. Completion end of 1973.

REGION NO. 3

PROJECTS COMMENCED (CONT'D)

Marlex Enviro-Systems & Resources Ltd.
Grand Forks
$365,000
Oil absorbing material

New 10,000 sq.ft. plant under construction in Grand Forks Industrial Park will produce initially 1,800 tons of "Sorb-Oil". Twelve employees. Eventually a staff of 17-20 people is foreseen when the capacity reaches 5,400 tons.

PROJECTS PROPOSED

Buckerfields Ltd.
Armstrong
$700,000
Feed

Will construct a new 19,100 sq.ft. mill in May replacing an existing 9,400 sq.ft. facility. Completion February 1973.

Harber Manufacturing (B.C.) Ltd.
Vernon
$225,000
Aluminum fishing boats.

An assembly plant will produce 2,000 units annually in 12 and 14-foot lengths on a 4.5 acre site. Twenty employees.

Quadra Mfg. Ltd.
Trail
$700,000
Small motors, lightweight chain saws

Announced plans for a new 21,000 sq.ft. plant to produce 30,000 units per shift annually. Thirty-five employees.

REGION NO. 4

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Alwin Mining Co. Ltd. (N.P.L.)
Ashcroft
$2,000,000
Copper concentrates

On February 21, 1972 production commenced at an initial rate of 300 tons per day at this new mining and milling operation called the OK Syndicate. Seventy-five employees. Eventually a staff of 100 persons is forecast when the mill size reaches 20,000 sq.ft. and the rate of production averages 600 tons per day.

Modoo Industries Ltd.
Kamloops

Fibreglass travel trailers, house boats

A new operation in 10,000 sq.ft. premises is producing eight combination units each month. Eight employees Eventually 40 workers are forecast when the plant size is extended to 50,000 sq.ft.

Nicola Valley Sawmills Ltd.
Merritt
$750,000
Green veneer

New 30,000 sq.ft. veneer mill started production on February 21, 1972 at a rate of 160,000 sq.ft. (3/8 inch basis) per shift. Twenty-five additional workers.

West Coast Concrete
Pemberton

Ready-mix concrete

Recently established a new manufacturing operation employing three persons.

REGION NO. 4

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Weyerhaeuser Canada Ltd.,Wood Products Division
Mission flats, Kamloops
$700,000
Kiln-dried lumber, shavings, sawdust, hog fuel

On March 5, 1972 the Company's Kamloops Branch ceased using a beehive burner and switched into operation its new fibre recovery system. Project included an 8,000 sq.ft. addition to the lumber mill and the installation of four new kilns. Ten additional employees.

Weyerhaeuser Canada Ltd.
Vavenby
$10,600,000
Lumber, chips

Operations begun in a new sawmill capable of producing 100 million f.b.m. annually on a two shift basis. The plant consists of three saw lines, a planer mill and four dry kilns. Two hundred and fifty workers.

PROJECTS COMMENCED

Squamish Chemicals Ltd.
Squamish
$2,000,000
Sodium chlorate

Construction commenced in March on a 20,000 sq.ft. plant which will produce initially 10,000 tons per year. Six employees. Eventually a work force of ten is forecast as production increases to 12,000 tons annually. (Company is affiliated with Gow Enterprises Ltd.).

REGION NO. 5

PROJECTS COMPLETED

A.A.F. Creations Ltd.
Port Moody

Toys

Manufacturing a new toy under the trade name "Wee-Coo" at an initial rate of 20,000 units annually. Other toys and games are at the research or field trial stage. Six employees.

Advance Tank & Steel Ltd.
Burnaby
Steel fabricated products

Production began in March in a 5,000 sq.ft. plant employing two persons. Eventually a work force of 30 is anticipated.

Al's Salad King Ltd.
Burnaby

Fruit and vegetable processing

New Company, incorporated in February, completed a new 3,100 sq.ft. processing plant with a capacity of 180,000 pounds per year. Ten employees.

Bay Forest Products Ltd.
Vancouver
$180,000
Lumber

Announced completion in January of a new sorting and trimming facility. Eleven additional employees.

B.C. Distillery Co. Ltd.
New Westminster
$358,000
Distilled beverages

Announced completion in February of a caustic reclamation system in conjunction with its pollution control program. (Company is a subsidiary of Distillers Corporation - Seagrams Ltd.)

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Clovercraft Industries Ltd.
Cloverdale, Municipality of Surrey

Fiberglass products

Company manufactures fiberglass items with industrial and recreational applications in 5,000 sq.ft. premises. Four workers. Eventually 20 persons would be employed when the size is increased to 20,000 sq.ft.

The Columbian Co. Ltd.
Coquitlam
$1,450,000
Printing and publishing

Recently moved into a 35,000 sq.ft. printing plant which replaces its former premises containing 23,000 sq.ft. No change in the staff numbering 180 persons.

Dorwin Mfg. Ltd.
Burnaby

Doors

A 6,000 sq.ft. plant is capable of producing 42,000 doors annually. Six employees.

Esco Ltd.
Port Coquitlam
$1,000,000
Steel castings

A modernization program called "Project 71" was completed in February giving the firm the capacity of 650 tons of castings per month. The expansion was initiated in 1971 and included major new equipment additions and a 4,000 sq.ft. enlargement of floor space. (Company is a subsidiary of Esco Corp. of Portland, Oregon).

Fletcher's Ltd.
Vancouver
$112,000
Meat processing

A 4,000 sq.ft. enlargement of staff facilities, which was recently completed, allows the company to increase its production staff by about 50 persons.

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Fraser Valley Milk Producers Association
Sardis
$250,000
Industrial milk products

Announced completion in March of an upgrading program at its utility plant, which included improvements to drains, floors, lighting, water distribution and sanitary piping.

The Gastown Silversmith Shop Ltd.
Vancouver

Jewellery

New firm incorporated in February employs five persons.

Global Plastics Ltd.
Richmond

Polyethelene containers

Announces completion recently of a new 9,000 sq.ft. factory which produces articles ranging in size from a 4 gallon carboy to a 2,000 gallon chemical tank. It is reportedly the first rotational moulding facility in the Province. Nine employees. Eventually a work force of 20 persons would be recruited.

Heede International Ltd.
Port Moody
$460,000
Tower, portal, gantry and bridge cranes

Completed a 30,000 sq.ft. expansion of its 26,000 sq.ft. plant to which the Company transferred in August 1971. One hundred and six additional workers. (Firm located in Vancouver in 1961. It is affiliated with Heede International Inc. of Greenwich, Conn.).

Home Spa Industries Ltd.
Burnaby

Pre-fabricated sauna heaters and rooms

Started production of sauna equipment in March in 10,000 sq.ft. premises. Fifteen employees.

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Horton Steel Works Ltd.
Delta
$300,000
Fabricated steel plate

Formally opened new 25,500 sq.ft. factory on March 20, 1972 for the manufacture of steel plate structures like oil storage tanks. Nine employees. Eventually a work force of 25 is anticipated. (Company is affiliated with Chicago Bridge and Iron Co. of Chicago, Illinois).

Ice-O-Tonic Equipment Manufacturing Ltd.
Vancouver

Slush drink vending machines

Production began recently at a rate of 15 machines per month in a plant covering 8,000 sq.ft. Four employees. Eventually a total staff of six is forecast when the capacity reaches 50 machines per month.

Klassen Diesel Sales & Service
Richmond
$90,000
General machinery

Formally opened new shop in February in Brighouse Industrial Park replacing its former 7,000 sq.ft. operation.

Molson Brewery B.C. Ltd.
Vancouver
$4,200,000
Malt beverages

Formally opened new packaging centre and bottling line addition on February 26, 1972 which increases the plant size to 217,000 sq.ft. from 127,000 sq.ft. No change in the 150-member staff.

Norpac Plastics Industries Ltd.
Richmond
$250,000
Injection-moulded plastic products

Eight persons employed in a 13,000 sq.ft. fabrication plant. Eventually a staff of 20 persons is anticipated.

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Ocean Construction Supplies Ltd.
Vancouver
$850,000
Concrete bricks, blocks

Modernization project completed in March expands the Company's capacity by two million units to nine million units. (Firm is a subsidiary of Genstar Ltd.)

Pacific Candy Ltd.
Vancouver

Candy

Firm recently commenced manufacturing in 5,000 sq.ft. premises. A staff of forty persons is reported.

Pacific Rim Transfer Equipment Ltd.
New Westminster

Dock levellers, bumpers, wheel checks

Six workers employed in a recently established business which operates in a 3,600 sq.ft. plant.

Rayonier Canada (B.C.) Ltd.
Woodfibre
$2,500,000
Lumber, chips

A smallwood processing plant housed in a 12,000 sq.ft. addition recently went into production with a capacity of 50 million f.b.m. Project also included construction of a 70-ton crane. One hundred additional employees. (Company is a subsidiary of I.T.T. Rayonier Inc.)

Rayonier Canada (B.C.) Ltd.
Marpole Sawmill Division
Vancouver
$913,000
Lumber

An electronically-controlled dual sorting system recently went into service incorporating innovations of mill personnel.

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Reichhold Chemicals (Canada) Ltd.
Port Moody
$170,000
Decorative resin-impregnated paper products.

Production underway in January in a 4,200 sq.ft. addition to the Company's manufacturing division handling decorative paper overlays. Eventually eight additional workers will be hired for this phase of operations at the 70-employee plant which mainly manufactures plastic resins and adhesives.

Ruskin Dry Kilns Ltd.
Maple Ridge

Custom drying of shingles

A 24,000 sq.ft. plant recently started processing shingles produced by local mills at a processing rate of 9,000 squares. Five employees.

Scott Paper Ltd.
New Westminster
$700,000
Sanitary papers, wax paper, fruit wrappings

Recently opened an expansion of its Western distribution centre. The project involved enlargement of the palletized storage area, previously containing 30,000 sq.ft., to a total of 60,000 sq.ft. on two floors. (Company is a majority-owned subsidiary of Scott Paper Co. of Philadelphia).

Texada Lime Ltd.
Langley
$2,500,000
Metallurgical grade quicklime

Manufacturing begun in a burned lime operation producing 200 tons per day from limestone quarried at Texada Island. Fifteen employees.

Tri-V Pet Foods Ltd.
Chilliwack
Pet food

New manufacturing operation, incorporated in February, occupies 19,000 sq.ft. premises. Three employees. Eventually a staff of 12 workers is foreseen.

REGION NO. 5

PROJECTS COMMENCED

Belkin Packaging Ltd. Corrugated Container Division
Richmond
$3,000,000
Corrugated cartons

Ground broken February 15, 1972 for a new 150,000 sq.ft. plant in Crestwood Industrial Park to replace existing 70,000 sq.ft. premises which will be occupied solely by the Company's Folding Carton Division. No expansion of employment, numbering 140 workers, is anticipated at present. (Firm is a subsidiary of B.C. Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.)

Blackstone Paving Ltd.
Richmond
$125,000
Paving materials

Firm is fabricating and assembling equipment in leased premises for a road paving and crusher plant operation.

Canwest Industries Ltd.
Vancouver

Shelving

Construction began in February on a new 6,000 sq.ft. millwork shop. Five employees.

Flex-Lox Industries Ltd.
Kilgari, Sumas Municipality
$235,000
Plastic pipe and tile

Completion set for July 1972 for new pipe-forming machinery additions designed to produce 500 tons annually of sewer pipe, drain, waste, vent and corrugated drain tile. Five additional employees.

Grandview Industries Ltd.
Langley
$375,000
Plastic pipe

Ground broken in January for a new 14,500 sq.ft. factory on a 2.5 acre si site in Langley Industrial Centre to consume initially 2.5 million pounds of plastic raw material. Nine employees Eventually a staff addition of 18 workers is forecast when consumption reaches 8 million pounds annually.

PROJECTS COMMENCED (CONT'D)

Kidd Bros. Produce Ltd.
Burnaby
$100,000
Honey processing and packaging

Construction commenced in March on a new packaging plant to replace an existing 10,000 sq.ft. facility. Two additional employees eventually.

Lafarge Concrete Ltd.
Vancouver
$520,000
Ready-mix concrete, sand and gravel aggregates

A contract was awarded in the first quarter for the construction of a barge berthing and unloading system designed to increase gravel storage by 4,000 tons.

Lancer of Canada Ltd.
Vancouver

Men's sports and dress shirts

A warehouse containing 5,000 sq.ft. is scheduled for completion in May as Phase I of a two-phase project which will enable the company to relocate in new distribution/manufacturing premises reportedly to cover 50,000 sq.ft.

Merit Industries Ltd.
Burnaby

Kitchen and vanity cabinets

A 12,000 sq.ft. plant will begin production in May. Fifteen employees.

National Starch & Chemical Co. (Canada) Ltd.
Surrey
$250,000
Adhesives

A relocation project into a 20,000 sq.ft. factory is set for April completion.

PROJECTS COMMENCED (CONT'D)

Pacific Steel Ltd.
Delta
$400,000
Industrial racking and shelving

Construction began in January on a new 30,000 sq.ft. plant in Annacis Industrial Estate to replace an existing 11,000 sq.ft. structure. Included is a large automated custom enameling facility. The firm produces materials handling equipment including shelving, pallet racking and warehouse trucks. Twenty-five additional workers.

Standard Oil Co. of British Columbia Ltd.
Refinery Division-Chevron Canada
Burnaby
$1,200,000
High octane gasoline blending components

A capital expenditure program totalling this amount is scheduled for April completion. Project includes environmental improvement and upgrading of the light ends line recovery unit for motor gasoline.

Staywood Forest Products & Treating Ltd.
Chilliwack, Surrey

Wood preserving

New establishment incorporated in February is preparing a peeling operation in the Chilliwack area and a mobile preserving plant to commence in April. Products handled will include fence posts, barn and building pole, utility poles. Five employees eventually.

TPL Industries Ltd.
Burnaby
$204,000
Kiln-dried laminated stock, pressure-treated wood

An addition begun on March 3, 1972 will reduce costs of operation.

West Coast Reduction Ltd.
Vancouver
$100,000
Fertilizers

April is the expected completion date of an 800 sq.ft. expansion of its pollution control system. No change in the 77-member staff.

PROJECTS COMMENCED (CONT'D)

Western Fibres Ltd.
Vancouver
$110,000
Textiles

Work began in March on an 11,000 sq.ft. expansion of the firm's existing 20,000 sq.ft. plant. The expenditures are phase one of a two-stage investment, the second phase consisting of new machinery installations at the end of 1972 for a new product line. Eighteen additional workers. Eventually 30 additional employees are predicted.

Westport Chemicals Ltd.
Vancouver
$200,000
Formaldehyde

Ground broken in February for an 800 sq.ft. addition which will increase factory space to 12,400 sq.ft. and enable the production of 24 million pounds of formaldehyde per year. Six additional workers. (Company was formerly titled Monsanto Canada Ltd.).

Whonnock Lumber Co. Ltd.
Whonnock, Municipality of Maple Ridge
$1,100,000
Lumber

Commenced construction in February of an 8,000 sq.ft. smallwood sawmill adjoining the existing 70 million f.b.m. per year sawmill. Capacity of the facility, which is scheduled for September completion, will be 30 million f.b.m. annually. Fifty additional workers.

PROJECTS PROPOSED

Clappison Packers Ltd.
Maple Ridge
$500,000
Meat processing

Plans unveiled for a 12,200 sq.ft. expansion of its existing 7,300 sq.ft. slaughter and processing facility. Initial capacity would rise to 1,200 hogs per week from the current production of 1,000 hogs weekly. Ten additional workers. Eventually a staff addition of 20 persons is foreseen.

PROJECTS PROPOSED (CONT'D)

Exquisite Motor Homes Manufacturing Ltd.
Surrey
$137,000
Motor homes

Plans unveiled by this company, which incorporated in March, for a new factory. Negotiations are underway for land to replace existing 3,000 sq.ft. premises currently employing seven persons.

Puroil Refineries Ltd.
Vancouver
$1,500,000
Recycled lubricating oil

Firm, incorporated in February, is conducting feasibility studies for a proposed recycling and disposal operation which would handle used oil, toxic and flammable wastes.

Stowe-Woodward Co. Ltd.
Surrey

Raw sheet rubber

Tenders were received in the first quarter for a 5,600 sq.ft. addition to its factory for the mixing and calandering of rubber.

Triangle-Pacific Forest Products Ltd., Pacific Pine Division
Lulu Island
$2,200,000
Lumber

Construction starts in July on an 8,000 sq.ft. addition, including a new smallwood sawmill, to its existing 20,000 sq.ft. plant. Completion November 1972. Eventually 80 additional workers will be employed as the project increases the capacity of the mill to 144 million f.b.m. from the existing rate of production of 72 million f.b.m.

REGION NO. 6

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Dow Print Ltd.
Victoria

Newspapers, flyers

Production started in January in a 5,000 sq.ft. building containing offset printing equipment. Three employees rising to eight workers eventually. (Company if affiliated with Victorian Shopper News).

Filka Lumber Co. Ltd.
North Cowichan

Lumber

Production commenced March 27, 1972 at a new 10,000 sq.ft. mill employing four persons. Eventually a staff of 15 is expected when the size is increased to 15,000 sq.ft.

Jordan River Mines Ltd.
Jordan River, near Sooke
$1,750,000
Copper concentrates

Rehabilitation of the former Cowichan Copper mine was completed in March. Initially 110 workers. Eventually a staff complement of 125 persons is anticipated.

Ladysmith Forest Products Ltd.
Ladysmith
$175,000
Lumber

New production machinery went on line on February 21, 1972 in a 2,000 sq.ft. addition increasing output by 12 million f.b.m. to 132 million f.b.m.

Tofino Fisheries Ltd.
Tofino
$130,000
Fish products

Operations began March 5, 1972 in 1,200 sq.ft. plant proposed for extension. Firm presently processes herring roe and reduces carcasses into meal The planned expansion provides for a canning and fillet line. Eight employees.

REGION NO. 7

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Bradina Joint Venture
Owen Lake, 20 miles from Houston
$4,600,000
Zinc-silver and copper-silver concentrates

Announced commencement of production on March 15, 1972 at a milling rate of 500 tons per day. The new operation, employing 120 persons, is largely manned by the staff of the former Bralorne Gold Mine. (Company is a joint venture of Bralorne Resources Ltd., Nadina Explorations Ltd., and Pacific Petroleums Ltd.)

Cedex Timber Ltd.
Bowron Valley, east of Prince George

Cedar decking, panels

Production began on February 20, 1972 at a rate of 2 million f.b.m. annually of wood products for pre-cut cedar homes under the trade name Lindal Cedar Homes Ltd. Seven employees.

Concrete Drainage Pipe
Prince George

Precast concrete pipe

Started manufacture of pipe in the British Columbia Railway Industrial Park. Ten employees. (Firm is affiliated with Concrete Drainage Pipe (Saskatoon) Ltd.).

Finlay Forest Industries Ltd.
Mackenzie
$240,000
Mechanical pulp

A machine tank and repulper were recently added to bring this new mill in the British Columbia Railway Industrial Site to its design throughput of 160 air dry tons per day. No change in the size of the 40-member staff. (Company is a joint venture of Cattermole Timber Ltd. and two Japanese firms: Jujo Paper Co. Ltd. and Sumitomo Forestry Co. Ltd.).

PROJECTS COMPLETED (CONT'D)

Gibraltar Mines Ltd. (N.P.L.)
McLeese Lake, 35 miles north of
Williams Lake
$74,000,000
Copper, molybdenum concentrates

Milling started in March at this new mining operation on the Gibraltar-Pollyana properties which has a forecasted capacity of 10.8 million tons of ore annually. Machinery in the concentrating plant includes five gyratory crushers and seven grinding mills. Three hundred and seventy-five workers.

North Central Plywood Ltd.
Prince George
$700,000
Veneer

Completion reported of an expansion program which included the installation of a second lathe and eight steam conditioning units. Thirty-five additional employees.

Tri Pac Studs Ltd.
Quesnel
$100,000
Lumber

Erected a new planer building in March for a more efficient operation. Transfer of machinery from the old plant is to be undertaken soon.

PROJECTS COMMENCED

B.C. Chemicals Ltd.
Prince George
$600,000
Sodium chlorate

Equipment installations in the 3,600 sq.ft. plant will increase production by 6,000 tons to 18,000 tons annually. No change in the staff of nine persons. (Company is a subsidiary of Noranda Mines Ltd.)

REGION NO. 7

PROJECTS COMMENCED (CONT'D)

Lignum Ltd.
Williams Lake

Lumber

Erecting a new planer mill to supplement existing facilities on a part-time basis raising production by 6 million f.b.m. to 72 million f.b.m. Eight additional employees.

Pas Lumber Co. Ltd.
Prince George
$120,000
Kiln-dried lumber

Construction started in March on a new dry kiln.

PROJECTS PROPOSED

Pas Lumber Co. Ltd.
Bear Lake
$2,800,000
Lumber, chips

Plans announced for a new 80 million f.b.m. per year mill. Completion end of 1972. Seventy employees.

Quick Mills Ltd.
Telkwa

Lumber

Construction begins in April on a new sawmill capable of producing 2 million f.b.m. Five employees.

REGION NO. 8

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Dean Mills Ltd.
Mile 233, Alaska Highway

Lumber

Production began in March at an estimated annual rate of 12 million f.b.m. Twenty employees. Eventually 25 workers will be employed when the capacity reaches 20 million f.b.m.

Wainco Oil Ltd.
Wilder gas field near Fort St. John
$280,000
Natural gas

Recently started operation of a 5.2 mile gas transmission line which is capable of delivering 270 million cubic feet of gas to the mainline of Westcoast Transmission Co. Ltd.

PROJECTS COMMENCED

Peace Wood Products Ltd.
Taylor

Studs

Ground broken for an expansion project to raise capacity by 40 million f.b.m. from the former rate of production of 12 million f.b.m. Twenty-five additional workers.

Westcoast Transmission Co. Ltd.
Fort Nelson
$19,560,000
Natural gas processing

The addition of two trains with 260 million cubic feet per day capacity will raise the capacity of the processing plant to 1 billion cubic feet per day. Completion November 1972. Seventeen additional employees.

REGION NO. 8

PROJECTS PROPOSED

Anadarko Production Co.
Rigel Field, near Fort St. John
$180,000
Natural gas

Construction begins June 1, 1972 on a gas pipeline with a capacity of 1.46 million cubic feet.

Ashland Oil Canada Ltd.
West Beatton River area, 95 miles north of Fort St. John
$100,000
Crude petroleum

Announced plans for a water flood project to increase total oil recovery to 4,000 barrels per day. Completion October 1972.

Denison Mines Ltd.
Quintette and Wolverine River areas, 75 miles southwest of Dawson Creek
$10,000,000
Coal

Plans unveiled for the construction of a joint venture pilot plant with Alco Standard Corp. of Valley Forge, Pa., which would have a capacity of 250,000 to 500,000 tons per year.

Texaco Exploration Canada Ltd.
Inga oil field
$150,000
Crude petroleum

An expansion of its oil production is planned through the construction of waterflood recovery facilities.

REGION NO. 9

PROJECTS COMMENCED

British Columbia Packers Ltd.
Masset
$380,000
Canned and frozen crabs, clams

A new plant containing 12,000 sq.ft. is being built to replace the operation of Queen Charlotte Canners Ltd. destroyed by fire during the summer of 1971. Completion May 1972. Additional employment for 80 persons will result from new clam handling facilities.

Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative Ass'n.
Fairview Bay, Prince Rupert
$230,000
Fish canning and processing

A 3,000 ton expansion of its salmon canning, bottom fish and herring roe processing operation is forecast for completion in June. The project will increase employment by 50 to 100 persons for a six week period.

SECTION II

MAJOR COMMERCIAL AND SERVICE PROJECTS

REGION NO. 1

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Cranbrook to Fernie
Electric power

Erected transmission towers between Cranbrook substation, 10 miles east of Cranbrook, and Bull River, as the first leg of an eventual 50-mile, 230 kv transmission line to the Natal No. 2 substation near Fernie.

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$4,500,000
Telephone systems

A capital spending program of this amount for 1972 has been started in the company's East Kootenay district which includes portions of Region No. 2, notably, Creston and Golden.

In Cranbrook $980,000 has been allotted for Direct Distance Dialing installations which are forecast to be in service in early 1973. A $131,000 building extension in Creston is scheduled for June completion.

REGION NO. 2

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Kootenay Canal, 12 miles west of Nelson
$14,700,000
Electric power

Two equipment contracts were placed in the first quarter valued at this amount for this new generating station to consist of four 125,000 kw generators.

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Mica Dam, 85 miles north of Revelstoke
Electric power

During the first quarter, a $14,018,000 contract was placed for four 435,000 kw generators at this eventual six-unit generating station. In addition, a $6,345,000 construction contract was let covering access tunnels and roads.

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$2,800,000
Telephone systems

Work started on improvements worth this amount during 1972 in its West Kootenay district which includes communities of Region No. 3 such as

REGION NO. 2

B.C. Telephone Co. (cont'd)

Grand Forks, Greenwood and Trail but excludes various Region No. 2 centres like Golden, Revelstoke and Salmon Arm.

REGION NO. 3

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$7,300,000
Telephone systems

Capital improvements valued at this amount are being undertaken during 1972 by the firm's subsidiary system, Okanagan Telephone Co., which covers portions of Region No. 2, notably, Revelstoke and Salmon Arm but excludes major Region No. 3 centres such as Oliver, Osoyoos and Princeton.

In the first quarter, an electronically controlled exchange went into service at Lakeview Heights near Kelowna.

Finning Tractor & Equipment Co. Ltd.
Vernon
$775,000
Distributor of heavy-duty equipment

Will erect a two-storey 15,700 sq. ft. building on a 7-acre site to house a combined repair shop, parts warehouse and offices.

Kelowna Airport
10 miles north of Kelowna
$260,000
Air transport

An air traffic control service, to result from the recent construction of a new three-storey tower, will employ seven persons.

Westinghouse Canada Ltd.
Kelowna
Distributor of electrical products

Construction to begin in April of a new 6,000 sq. ft. building in Fairfield Park. Two to three workers. Ultimately the new centre would be expanded to 9,000 sq. ft. and would employ six persons.

REGION NO. 4

British Columbia Railway
Squamish
$516,000
Rail transport

Erecting new 20,000 sq. ft. blacksmith shop to replace a 2,500 sq. ft. structure. The facility will be used for repairs and for the production of new forgings to replace parts on rolling stock and track. Eight additional employees. Eventually a staff addition of 22 persons is estimated.

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$7,500,000
Telephone systems

Expenditures totalling this amount are being applied in the firm's Kamloops district in 1972 which covers the Province's Highland Valley mining area. The district includes centres from other regions within its boundaries, notably, Oliver, Osoyoos and Princeton in Region No. 3, Boston Bar in Region No. 5, Williams Lake in Region No. 7, Bella Coola in Region No. 9 but excludes the Region No. 4 communities of Pemberton and Squamish.

Squamish Terminals Ltd.
Squamish
$5,500,000
Deep-sea terminal

Tenders were called in the first quarter for the first of eventually two warehouses to contain 160,000 sq. ft. of storage space each for handling pulp and kiln-dried lumber at this new 100-acre terminal and assembly area. Capacity of the facility by 1973, when two berths are operating, is forecast at 80 million f.b.m. of lumber and 375,000 short tons of pulp. Fifteen employees rising to 100 workers in 1975. (Company is a joint venture of Cattermole Timber Ltd. and Star Bulk Shipping Co. (Canada) Ltd., a subsidiary of Star Shipping A.S. of Bergen, Norway).

REGION NO. 5

Air Canada
Richmond
$1,000,000
Cargo terminal

Will erect a new 45,000 sq. ft. cargo terminal on a 4-acre site to handle 130 million pounds of freight compared with the 50 million of traffic handled in 1971. Nine additional employees. Eventually a staff addition of 13 persons is forecast by 1980.

REGION NO. 5

Bell-Irving Realty Ltd.
North Vancouver
$240,000
Industrial and commercial real estate

Announced completion on April 1, 1972 of a new 26,000 sq. ft. industrial warehouse for leasing as part of an eventual 57,000 sq. ft. construction program.

Brentwood Shopping Centre
Burnaby
$2,000,000
Shopping mall

Expansion program includes a 21,000 sq. ft. addition in retail floor space raising the retailing area to over 390,000 sq. ft. and a 31,000 sq. ft. enlargement of office and storage facilities.

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Port Moody
Electric power

Awarded contract for $4,928,000 for the installation of a sixth 150,000 kw steam generator. Completion summer of 1974.

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$58,000,000
Telephone systems

Installations worth this amount are being undertaken in the company's Coastal Division which includes Region No. 4 communities such as Pemberton and Squamish, but excludes the Region No. 5 centres of Powell River and Woodfibre.

Bucyrus Erie Co. of Canada Ltd.
Richmond
Distributor of heavy duty equipment

Announced completion of a new 9,000 sq. ft. warehouse and distribution centre. Five employees.

Burnaby Properties Ltd.
Burnaby
$560,000
Industrial and commercial real estate

Completed a new 43,400 sq. ft. rental building in Lozells Winston Industrial Park. Eventually construction of 217,800 sq. ft. of floor space is forecast.

REGION NO. 5

Butt & Bowes Food Equipment Ltd.
Vancouver
Distributor of food equipment supplies

Erecting a new 15,000 sq. ft. building under lease from Butt Holdings Ltd. Completion May 1972. No change in the 15-member staff.

William Dunn Ltd.
Vancouver
$275,000
Industrial and commercial real estate

Construction started in March on a new two-storey warehouse for leasing.

Finning Tractor & Equipment Co. Ltd.
Vancouver
$1,025,000
Distributor of heavy duty machinery

Improvements totalling this amount are to be undertaken in its Vancouver offices. Project includes construction of facilities in the Philpott Building for Gardner Denver air compressors and equipment together with minor expansions and additions to its head office premises.

Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd.
Burnaby
$580,000
Distributor of automotive parts & accessories

An expansion of its warehousing and distribution centre, first constructed in 1963, increased floor space by over 29,000 sq. ft. to 98,000 sq. ft. Fifteen additional workers.

A.J. Forsyth & Co. Ltd.
Delta
$1,000,000
Distributor of steel products

Construction begins in April of a 25,000 sq. ft. facility in Annacis Industrial Estate which will feature a steel plate cut-to-length line. The company's existing outlets cover 100,000 sq. ft. Five additional employees.

Fraser Wharves Ltd.
Richmond
$2,500,000
Vehicle handling terminal

Project to construct an unloading wharf and a 22,000 sq. ft. terminal building for Toyota automobiles is set for completion June 1, 1972. Thirty-two employees.

REGION NO.5

G.T.E. Automatic Electric (Canada) Ltd.
Burnaby
Distributor of electrical equipment

Recently transferred its operations to a new 56,000 sq.ft. warehouse replacing former facilities containing 16,000 sq.ft.

H.Y. Louie Co. Ltd.
Burnaby
$1,600,000
Distributor of food

Relocated in a new 110,000 sq.ft. centre in Lake City Industrial Park which replaces the firm's former premises containing 50,000 sq.ft.

MEPC Canadian Properties Ltd.
Vancouver
Industrial and commercial real estate.

June is expected completion date for a new multiple tenancy warehousing facility on Kent Avenue containing 37,000 sq.ft.

Mainland Wholesale Drug Ltd.
Vancouver
Distributor of drugs

Proposes to relocate in 12,000 sq.ft. premises in a two-storey building containing 52,000 sq.ft. Balance of the building would be rented. Two additional workers.

Mazda Motors of Canada Ltd.
Richmond
$750,000
Distributor of vehicles and parts

Proposes to begin construction in April of a new Canadian headquarters in Brighouse Industrial Park. It will replace an existing facility containing 15,600 sq.ft. Fifteen additional workers.

National Bowling & Billiards Ltd.
Vancouver
Distributor of recreational equipment and accessories

Recently moved into 16,000 sq.ft. premises replacing its former facilities. No change in the size of its work force numbering 30 employees. (Company is a division of National Leisure Corp. Ltd.).

REGION NO. 5

National Harbours Board
North Vancouver
$12,000,000
Water transport

The Vancouver Port Authority has recommended development to the National Harbours Board of an 87-acre general cargo facility featuring 2,400 feet of dock face and three berths. A construction time table of 30 months is estimated for the work which would involve dredging 1.8 million cu. yds. of fill.

National Harbours Board
Vancouver
$16,000,000
Container terminal

The Vancouver Port Authority is recommending to the National Harbours Board construction of a new 70-acre two-berth terminal on the old site of Vancouver Ocean Terminals Ltd.

Included in the project to create 1,800 feet of dock face would be movement of one million cu. yds. of fill to reclaim 15 acres of water area.

Northwest Euclid Ltd.
Vancouver
Distributor of construction, logging and mining equipment

Expansion planned to raise the size of its existing sales, parts and service centre for Euclid and Massey-Ferguson machinery to 7,000 sq.ft. Company recently started operations employing nine persons.

Pacific Centre Ltd.
Vancouver
$95,000,000
Commercial buildings complex

Demolition started in the first quarter for a second tower in the Pacific Centre development, an 18-story structure to be called the IBM Tower, which will contain 257,000 sq.ft. of office space. Construction is progressing with the six floor department store of Eaton's, scheduled for opening in August 1972.

REGION NO. 5

Phillips Electronics Industries Ltd.
Vancouver
Distributor of office computers

Announced the start of operations in January of a new sales and servicing centre which handles distribution of data systems, programs and repair of its computers. Eight employees.

Seaboard International Terminals Ltd.
North Vancouver
$7,327,000
Forest products marine terminal

Formally opened new 55-acre terminal on January 1, 1972 which is capable of handling one billion f.b.m. annually. Project included three deep-sea berths, two scow or barge berths and a 30,000 sq. ft. plywood storage shed. Construction was undertaken jointly by the firm, which invested $900,000 in the development, and the National Harbours Board which spent $6,427,000. One hundred and fifty employees, based on a 50 percent berth occupancy rate. (Company is affiliated with Seaboard Shipping Co. Ltd.).

700 West Pender Building
Vancouver
$15,000,000
Business offices

Foundations are being constructed for the first of two office buildings each to rise 16 floors and contain 166,000 sq.ft. of office area

1050 West Pender Building
Vancouver
$10,000,000
Business offices

A construction contract for $5,774,000 was awarded in the first quarter for erecting a 21-storey structure to contain 300,000 sq. ft. of office space. Completion December 1973.

Vancouver Port Authority
Vancouver
$200,000
Container terminal

Announced plans for improvements valued at this amount to the container terminal at Centennial Pier.

REGION NO. 5

Vancouver Welding Supplies Ltd.
Vancouver
Distributor of oxygen, acetylene and welding products

Recently transferred its distribution operations into new 5,000 sq. ft. premises replacing former facilities of 1,300 sq. ft.

Westcan Mining Trucks & Equipment (B.C.) Ltd.
New Westminster
Distributor of heavy equipment

Sixteen persons employed in a new 7,200 sq. ft. sales, parts and service centre which commenced business in January. Eventually a staff of 30 is forecast when the size of premises is increased to 15,000 sq. ft.

REGION NO. 6

Beacon Plaza
Sidney
$425,000
Shopping mall

Completed a 30,000 sq. ft. expansion raising the total floor space to 52,000 sq. ft. Twenty-five additional workers.

British Columbia Department of Highways
Hornby Island
Ferry terminal

Tenders were called for the construction of a fill area and marine structures for a new terminal to serve the new 22-car Hornby Island ferry. Project is part of an enlargement of services at Denman and Hornby Islands.

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Port Hardy
$3,700,000
Electric power

A 40,500 kw unit was ordered in the first quarter for the new Port Hardy Gas Turbine Station. Operation is planned for October 1973.

REGION NO. 6

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$20,000,000
Telephone systems

Embarked on a capital expenditures program for 1972 worth this amount in its Island Division which includes Region No. 5 centres such as Powell River and Woodfibre and the Region No. 9 community of Ocean Falls.

Canada Department of Public Works
Comox
$384,000
Water transport

A new rock-fill wharf provides a wharfhead for use by commercial fishermen.

REGION NO. 7

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$10,500,000
Telephone systems

The new $6.4 million exchange building in Prince George and an 800-line switching equipment installation at Mackenzie are among the 1972 projects budgeted for construction in the firm's Prince George district which excludes the Region No. 7 centres of Houston, Smithers and Williams Lake.

Dominion Construction Co. Ltd.
Smithers
$2,000,000
Shopping mall

A 20,000 sq. ft. supermarket commenced business in February 1972 as the first phase of an eventual 65,000 sq. ft. centre to employ 100-150 persons.

Narcolsi Properties Ltd.
Quesnel
$1,000,000
Shopping mall

Construction began in September 1971 on a new 13-store shopping centre covering 48,100 sq. ft. Completion Summer of 1972.

REGION NO. 8

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Dawson Creek
Electric power

A clearing contract was awarded for a 138 kv transmission line.

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$2,600,000
Telephone systems

The $532,000 Direct Distance Dialing Service in the company's Dawson Creek district is among the projects being undertaken as part of 1972 expenditures totalling this amount. The district includes Region No. 9 centres of Atlin and Telegraph Creek.

Dominion Steel Ltd.
Fort Nelson
$125,000
Distributor of steel products

Recently completed a new 13,000 sq.ft. distribution outlet in the British Columbia Railway Industrial Park.

Ocean Cement Ltd.
Fort Nelson
Distributor of bulk and sacked cement

Formally opened bulk cement silo on January 14, 1972 in the British Columbia Railway Industrial Park.

Westcoast Transmission Co. Ltd.
Beaver River to the Pointed Mountain field, Yukon Territory
$8,200,000
Pipeline transport

An extension of 34.1 miles of 20-inch diameter pipe will begin operating in April handling 155 million cubic feet daily.

REGION NO. 8

Western Agri-Services Ltd.
Dawson Creek
Grain storage

Completed a new elevator with a capacity of 100,000 bushels in the British Columbia Railway Industrial Park. Two employees.

REGION NO. 9

British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority
Prince Rupert
$6,000,000
Electric power

Equipment contracts were awarded for two 28,600 kw units for the new Prince Rupert Gas Turbine Generating Station which is scheduled to begin service in July 1973.

B.C. Telephone Co.
Various locations
$2,200,000
Telephone systems

Begun installations of this amount in its Terrace district which excludes the Region No. 9 communities of Prince Rupert, Bella Coola and Ocean Falls, but includes Region No. 7 centres such as Houston and Smithers.

Canada Department of Public Works
Stewart
$390,000
Water transport

A wharf improvements program is underway including construction of a new 8,000 sq. ft. freight shed and a 32-foot widening of the wharf.

DEVELOPMENTS COVERING VARIOUS REGIONS

British Columbia Railway
Fort St. James to Dease Lake
Rail transport

During the first quarter a $7,448,000 grading contract was awarded to cover construction of a 90-mile stretch from the north end of Bear Lake. Completion of the 420-mile extension is expected by mid-1974.

Westcoast Transmission Co. Ltd.
Central British Columbia
$36,800,000
Pipeline transport

Construction begins in April on an expansion of its mainline to 1.32 billion cubic feet daily from the current capacity of 1.179 billion cubic feet per day. Project includes the construction of 86.7 miles of 36-inch diameter pipeline looping and the installation of an additional 37,500 h.p. in compressor facilities. Fifteen additional workers.

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